

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

E.P.S.S., INC. AND  
BIL DARBY

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ALLEGED FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH  
COMMISSION REGULATIONS

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CASE NO. 92-017

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After reviewing its records and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that Bil Darby should be made a party to these proceedings. Mr. Darby is the sole shareholder of E.P.S.S., Inc., and serves as its president. He has previously represented to the Commission that he is responsible for the maintenance and operation of the sewage treatment facilities in question.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Bil Darby, in his individual capacity, shall appear on February 14, 1992, at 9:00 a.m., Eastern Standard Time, in Hearing Room 2 of the Commission's offices at 677 Comanche Trail, Frankfort, Kentucky, for the purpose of presenting evidence concerning the maintenance and operation of E.P.S.S., Inc.'s sewage treatment facilities, specifically the violations of Commission Regulation 807 KAR 5:071, Section 7(1), alleged in the appended Inspection Report, and of showing cause why he should not be subjected to the penalties of KRS 278.990(1)

for his alleged failure to maintain and operate those facilities in accordance with Commission Regulations.

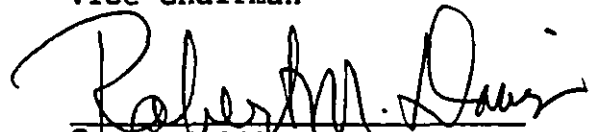
2. The style of this case shall be amended to reflect the addition of Mr. Darby as a party to these proceedings.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 5th day of February, 1992.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

  
Chairman

  
Vice Chairman

  
Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director

Commonwealth of Kentucky  
Public Service Commission

UTILITY REINSPECTION REPORT

E.P.S.S., Inc.  
Berea, Kentucky

On December 16, 1991, a reinspection of E.P.S.S., Inc. was conducted. The purpose of the reinspection was to see under what conditions the plant was operating. During the reinspection it was found that the improvements or corrections necessary to bring this facility into compliance with KRS Chapter 278 and PSC regulations (807 KAR) are as follows:

Deficiencies Common to Plant 1 and 2

1. The divider box needs to be cleaned. (807 KAR 5:071, Section 7,1)
2. The bar screen needs to be used or a comminutor installed. (807 KAR 5:071, Section 7,1)
3. All exposed electrical wiring needs to be protected. (807 KAR 5:071, Section 7,1)
4. The plant is currently being operated without a comminutor. As long as the plant can be operated satisfactorily and produce an acceptable effluent the Commission may not require the use of a comminutor. However, the utility must monitor plant operations and immediately install a functioning comminutor should conditions warrant. (807 KAR 5:071, Section 7,1)
5. The effluent needs to be chlorinated. (807 KAR 5:071, Section 7,1)
6. A backup blower/motor unit or immediate access to one is needed in case of an emergency. (807 KAR 5:071, Section 7,1)
7. The chlorine contact basin needs to be checked for sludge deposits and if found removed. (807 KAR 5:071, Section 7,1)

8. The door to the circuit breaker box needs to be kept shut. (807 KAR 5:071, Section 7,1)

Small Plant

1. One skimmer needs to be made operational. (807 KAR 5:071, Section 7,1)
2. One sludge return needs to be made operational. (807 KAR 5:071, Section 7,1)
3. The thick scum on the surface of the clarifier needs to be removed. (807 KAR 5:071, Section 7,1)

Large Plant

1. One diffuser drop needs to be replaced. (807 KAR 5:071, Section 7,1)
2. One diffuser needs to be checked and repaired or replaced as necessary. (807 KAR 5:071, Section 7,1)
3. The scum on the surface of the clarifier needs to be removed. (807 KAR 5:071, Section 7,1)

Submitted,  
December 18, 1991

  
Larry N. Updike  
Utility Investigator

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